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The Honorable Timothy S. Bee President Arizona State Senate 1700 W. Washington Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Senate Bill 1341; Schools; Employee Code of Conduct

Dear President Bee,

Today I vetoed Senate Bill 1341, a bill that would have mandated the Arizona State Board of Education recommend to each school district governing board and charter school governing body an employee code of conduct for adoption. Senate Bill 1341 specifies by what means and how often school administrators would disseminate the codes of conduct to employees.

Most school districts and charter schools have already adopted employee codes of conduct, customized to their needs. Those who have not have many resources to obtain sample codes of conduct, whether through legal counsel, industry organizations, peer school districts or private, for-profit organizations that specialize in providing codes of conduct. Mandating the State Board of Education provide additional sample codes of conduct is unnecessary and a diversion from the Board's primary duties.

For this and other reasons, I have vetoed Senate Bill 1341.

Yours very truly,

Janet Napolitano

Governor

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cc: The Honorable Jim Weiers The Honorable Linda Gray